Greetings from the SD Diabetes Prevention & Control Program (DPCP) and welcome to the August 1, 2008 edition of the "DPCP FYI". Each FYI is received by over 450 diabetes care professionals in and around South Dakota. If you have trouble with the links, the e-bulletin is also posted on the DPCP website at http://diabetes.sd.gov. If you have suggestions for improvement to the FYI or if I can otherwise be of assistance, please let me know. Colette

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Inflammation, Type 2 Diabetes, and Hypogonadism-August 6th

Dr. Vishal Bhatia of Sanford Clinic Diabetes & Thyroid and Academic Assistant Professor with the Department of Internal Medicine at the Sanford School of Medicine of The University of South Dakota in Sioux Falls will present *Inflammation, Type 2 Diabetes, and Hypogonadism* on August 6th from 12:00 – 1:00 PM (Central Time). You can participate at the Sanford School of Medicine, Health Science Center, Room 106; Avera McKennan Hospital - Room 1415; Sanford Hospital - Board of Governor's Conference Room; the Veteran's Administration Hospital - Room 351; and various outreach sites. The educational objectives and further information can be obtained at http://cmetracker.net/USD/doPostCatalog. Pre-registration needs to be competed by August 4th.

South Dakota Diabetes Coalition Partners' Conference-September 23rd

The 2nd Annual South Dakota Diabetes Coalition Partners' Conference will be held on September 23, 2008 from 9:00 am -3:00 pm at the Cedar Shores resort in Oacoma, SD. The coalition's mission is "Partnering to improve health outcomes of those affected by diabetes in South Dakota". There is no registration fee. The conference is meant for individuals and entities affected by and impacting diabetes in South Dakota. For more information, see the agenda on the Events Calendar at http://diabetes.sd.us. To register, contact Melissa Magstadt, South Dakota Diabetes Coalition Coordinator at 605-882-9853 or magstadm@gmail.com. This year promises to be another great year of learning, networking, and making a difference in South Dakota.

South Dakota Diabetes Coalition Connection Newsletter

The first South Dakota Diabetes Coalition Connection Newsletter has been published. The newsletter contains information about the *South Dakota Diabetes State Plan 2007-2009* strategy prioritization completed by coalition members and other information. It is available from any coalition member or in the South Dakota Diabetes Coalition section at http://diabetes.sd.gov. For further information about the South Dakota Diabetes Coalition (SDDC), contact Melissa Magstadt, SDDC Coordinator, at magstadm@gmail.com or 868-1653.

Wellmark Foundation-Change in Due Dates-Letters of Interest Due September 23rd Due to the Wellmark Foundation's recent significant support toward lowa disaster relief efforts, the timeline for the 2008 community responsive grant cycle two has been modified. Letters of Interest (LOIs) are now due on September 23, 2008.

The Wellmark Foundation's health improvement agenda seeks to fund projects in two priority areas: 1) childhood obesity prevention and 2) community-based wellness and prevention. Complete application information and potential proposal ideas within the priority topics are outlined in the Request for Proposals (RFP) available at www.wellmark.com/foundation.

Feel free to contact either Matt McGarvey (515/245-4819 or mcgarveym@wellmark.com) or Cheryl Clarke (515/245-4997 or clarkec@wellmark.com) with any guestions or project ideas.

Avera McKennan's 2008 Diabetes Update-October 3rd

Avera McKennan Hospital and University Center is holding its 2008 Diabetes Update on October 3rd at the Ramkota Hotel Best Western in Sioux Falls. The goal of the conference is to provide participants with information on current issues in the clinical care and education of persons with diabetes. Registration is \$40 per participant and continuing education credits will be provided. For further information, contact Mary Oyos at (605) 322-8995 or view the conference brochure in the Events Calendar at http://diabetes.sd.us.

Release of The Burden of Diabetes in South Dakota

The Burden of Diabetes in South Dakota, a report that quantifies the epidemic of diabetes in the state of South Dakota, has been released. The report presents information on the number of people with diabetes, their characteristics, the treatment they receive and the consequences of the disease. It also describes the risk factors that increase the occurrence of diabetes and its complications. The full report is available at http://diabetes.sd.us. A few findings-In 2007:

- Approximately 6.7%-39,344 of South Dakota adults had been diagnosed with diabetes and the prevalence of diabetes has more than doubled since 1998.
- Another estimated 13,115 South Dakotans are likely to not know they have diabetes.
- A significant racial disparity exists as the prevalence of diagnosed diabetes in Native Americans was 11.0 % compared to 6.4% in whites.
- There are about 973 South Dakotans under 18 with diabetes. Because type 2 diabetes rarely develops in those under 18, the vast majority of these 973 kids have type 1 diabetes.
- South Dakotans aged 65 years or older were almost twice as likely to have been diagnosed with diabetes as persons aged 45 to 64 years.

National Gardening Association and Home Depot -- 2009 Youth Garden Grants Program-Due November 1st

The National Gardening Association (NGA) awards Youth Garden Grants to schools and community organizations with child-centered garden programs. In evaluating grant applications, priority will be given to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements:

- educational focus or curricular/program integration
- nutrition or plant-to-food connections

- environmental awareness/education
- entrepreneurship
- social aspects of gardening, such as leadership development, team building, community support, and service learning.

Gift cards of \$1,000, \$500, or \$250 to Home Depot, and educational materials from NGA will be awarded. Schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational groups in the United States are eligible to apply. Applicants must plan to garden with at least fifteen children between the ages of 3 and 18. For further information, go to http://www.kidsgardening.org/YGG.asp.

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